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SUBJECT: TUNA BOAT SEIZURES

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1. SHOULD US TUNA VESSELS BE SEIZED, MAIN EFFORTS OF EMBASSY SHOULD FOCUS ON ATTEMPTING TO SECURE RELEASE OF VESSEL AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE. THIS WOULD REQUIRE IMMEDIATE CONTACTS WITH APPROPRIATE FONMIN, NAVY AND FISHERY OFFICIALS AT A REASONABLY HIGH LEVEL. DURING PAST SEIZURE INCIDENTS IT HAS PROVEN HELPFUL TO HAVE EMBASSY OFFICER OR CONSULAR AGENT ON HAND IN PORT WHERE VESSELS ARE BEING HELD. SHOULD GOP SEIZE TUNA VESSEL, DEPT WOULD STRONGLY URGE THAT OFFICER BE SO DISPATCHED. THIS CAN FACILITATE PROCEDURES AND IS OF CONSIDERABLE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPORTANCE TO DETAINED CAPTAINS AND CREW. SPECIFIC ACTIONS WHICH MIGHT BE TAKEN TO EXPEDITE RELEASE OR RESOLVE PRACTICAL PROBLEMS WHICH MAY OCCUR CAN BEST BE ADDRESSED AS PROBLEMS ARISE.

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2. ONCE VESSELS ARE RELEASED, EMBASSY WILL WANT TO FOCUS EFFORTS ON DEALING WITH OTHER PROBLEMS WHICH ARE CREATED BY SEIZURES. SEVERAL LEGISLATIVELY REQUIRED RETALIATORY SANCTIONS ARE CONTAINED IN VARIOUS US LAWS AND ARE

TRIGGERED UPON SEIZURE OF US FLAG VESSEL. THESE INCLUDE CESSATION OF MILITARY SALES, AID CUTOFF, AND VARIOUS FISHERY AND OTHER EMBARGOES. SHOULD SEIZURE OCCUR, DEPT WILL ADDRESS THESE ISSUES SPECIFICALLY WITH INSTRUCTIONS AS TO ROLE EMBASSY MIGHT PLAY.

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